

SUBJECT – VERB AGREEMENT

PRACTICE:

I. Choose the correct words in the parentheses:

1. This answer (is / are) unacceptable.
2. Eight dollars (is / are) the price of one ticket.
3. All of the CDs, even the smaller ones, (is / are) in this box.
4. The price of these jeans (is / are) reasonable.
5. One of the books (is / are) missing.
6. Gold, as well as platinum, (has / have) recently risen in price.
7. The quality of the candies (is / are) poor.
8. Collecting stickers (is / are) one of his hobbies.
9. Neither his father nor his mother (like / likes) cooking.
10. Both Mary and Max (attends / attended) the party.
11. The professor who (is / are) standing in front of me is very friendly.
12. Oranges and fresh strawberries (is / are) rich in vitamin C.
13. Either you or your sister (has / have) to clean the room.
14. A number of books (is / are) being published.
15. Each of the boys (has / have) his own book.
16. Why (was / were) Julia and Kylie late for work?
17. Everybody (is / are) protected under the law.
18. Lettuce (is / are) good for your health.
19. None of my friends (was / were) there.
20. Carlos is the only student who (has / have) never come to the school's library.

III. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the given verb, use any appropriate tense:

1. All of my relatives always (visit) grandma at Christmas.
2. Cats and dogs (not / get) along.
3. Recently, a number of houses (collapse) in the storm.
4. Mathematics (be) really difficult!
5. Why (be) the people standing at the corner of the street?
6. Neither she nor he (know) how to cook paella.
7. The woman who is standing over there (study) French for 7 years.
8. Some of that paper (be) useful at the meeting 3 days ago.
9. Each of the children (recite) the lesson every day.
10. Everybody (have) the right to raise their voice.
11. Everything in this room (match) the decoration of the house.
12. The news in this section (be) quite shocking.
13. Not only the students but also the teacher (be) confused by the material.
14. Some of the questions (seem) too hard for the students to answer.
15. Learning new languages (be) really interesting.
16. One of my roommates (hang) out with her friends when I came home.
17. Calcium-deficient bones (break) easily.
18. This singer, along with a few others, (play) the harmonica on stage.
19. Neither she nor I (get) the lunch special now.
20. Everybody at the party (enjoy) the food.

MORE PRACTICE:

I. Decide if the sentences are correct or incorrect. If incorrect, make the necessary changes:

	Correct	Incorrect	Changes
1. One of my friends have gone to Hong Kong.		x	have → has
2. He and I were at Oxford together.			
3. Neither Jerry nor James have taken the stapler.			
4. The last questions on the test was very difficult.			
5. John, as well as his brothers, likes football.			
6. Everyone need to be loved.			
7. No news are good news.			
8. The police hasn't made any arrests lately.			
9. Never have the weather been so bad in the months of June and July.			
10. Be careful. The scissors are very sharp.			

10. Once in a while, Leo shopping in an Asian grocery store to buy some special seasonings.
- A. go
B. went
C. was going
D. goes
11. A number of people John to be very quiet.
- A. considering
B. considers
C. consider
D. is considering
12. The laws in the state of Michigan different from that of New York.
- A. are
B. have
C. has
D. is
13. The trees which are over the hill green.
- A. are
B. have
C. has
D. is
14. Either John or other students the classroom.
- A. clean
B. cleans
C. is cleaned
D. are cleaning
15. China, a country with the highest population in the world, a lot of rice over the past 7 years.
- A. grow
B. is grow
C. grows
D. has grown
16. There the president and his wife.
- A. goes
B. go
C. going
D. have went
17. The boy with his friends a lottery ticket every day.
- A. bought
B. buys
C. has bought
D. buy
18. The teacher's clothes out of fashion.
- A. was
B. had been
C. were
D. be
19. McDonalds an example of a fine American eatery.
- A. is
B. are
C. has be
D. had been
20. The French a lot of junk food.
- A. eats
B. eat
C. is eating
D. have ate
21. My neighbor's friends often around the pool partying and drinking.
- A. has sat
B. sits
C. sit
D. have sat
22. There a crazy amount of money under the sofa cushion.
- A. are
B. has be
C. is
D. were
23. All wild animals on this planet precious because they are here for a reason.
- A. was
B. were
C. is
D. are
24. Someone we all know quite well very sick right now.
- A. has been
B. is
C. have been
D. are

25. My collection of stamps worth a fortune.
A. is
B. has
C. have
D. are
26. Both this dress and that shirt me like a glove.
A. fits
B. fitting
C. fit
D. doesn't fit
27. A large group of young people around on the corner of the street when the accident happened.
A. hung
B. were hanging
C. hangs
D. was hanging
28. Neither the client nor the practitioner any concerns about filing the tax return by the due date.
A. have
B. has
C. have had
D. is
29. One in five students choosing to attend the university.
A. regrets
B. regret
C. has regret
D. have regret
30. A combination of intelligence, experience and leadership necessary for anyone to work on this project.
A. is
B. was
C. are
D. were